

# **Inspection Report**

**Village of Southampton**

**Shooting Range**

**62 Sebonac Rd**

**Tuckahoe, NY 11968**

**Inspectors:** Edward J. Guster III, Environmental Scientist, USEPA Region 2

**Date of Inspection:** February 25, 2013

**EPA ID #:** None

**Reason for Inspection:** Assess RCRA Concerns

## **Attendees:**

John Brostowski – Highway Supervisor

Thomas M. Cummings – Chief of Police, Southampton Police Department

Christopher Mohl – Lieutenant, Southampton Police Department

Michael G. Ryan – Captain, Southampton Police Department

## **Background:**

The Village shooting range is located at the intersection of North MaGee Street and Sebonac Rd in Tuckahoe, NY. The actual entrance is located in a gated area on North MaGee Street (see aerial photos attached).

The range has been in use since approximately the mid 1930's, according to the Southampton Village Police Department (PD). The shooting range is located in a depression area of the topography of the site. The backstop is a hillside that has been built-up over the years. The process of building up the backstop includes the use of downed trees from storms, cut trees (from around the village or around the shooting range) and sand/top soil.

## **Inspection Summary:**

Mr. Guster met with Mr. Brostowski at the Village Offices, located on Main Street. Mr. Guster presented his credentials and Mr. Brostowski agreed to the inspection. Mr. Brostowski took Mr. Guster to the shooting range in the Village truck.

The Village shooting range is located on gated public land that is divided by the Town of Southampton, the Village of Southampton and other local/state governments, as explained by

Mr. Brostowski. Mr. Brostowski drove up the unpaved road past, what he explained, was the Town of Southampton's property to the driver's side of the truck. He explained the boundary of the Town and Village property by indicating that the downed trees are stored on the Village property. This clearing was the first clearing on Village property, located on the driver's side heading North on the unpaved road. He also explained that the area where the downed trees are stored used to be the PD K-9 training area.

The unpaved road continued uphill to another clearing. Here, there is topsoil, sand and wood chips stored. The clearing was broken up by a hill/mound that separated the clearing into two areas. To the West of the mound, is where the wood is chipped. Mr. Brostowski explained that the Village chips its own wood from downed trees and uses the chips to make top soil or use as bedding around the village. One could see that sand, soil and chips were being composted to make top soil. These mounds are located in the clearing area.

Driving further North, one comes to another unpaved road that leads down the hill to the shooting range (you must make a left (West) off the main unpaved road). Mr. Brostowski continued up the main, unpaved road to the top of the hill. Here, he pointed out trails for hiking and nature trails. The main road ends in a loop at the top of the hill. In the center of the loop is an old, Civil War, gun turret.

#### **Environmental Concerns and Comments:**

There were no RCRA violations identified at the site based on this RCB inspection.

#### **Recommendations**

None

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**Supervisor Approval:** \_\_\_\_\_

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